

Kansas Winger

KANSAS DISTRICT NEWS

Welcome to the Kansas Winger, a monthly publication comprised of articles from Chapter Editors and our District Team.

Check out what Chapter members have been up to and see what fun events are coming up.

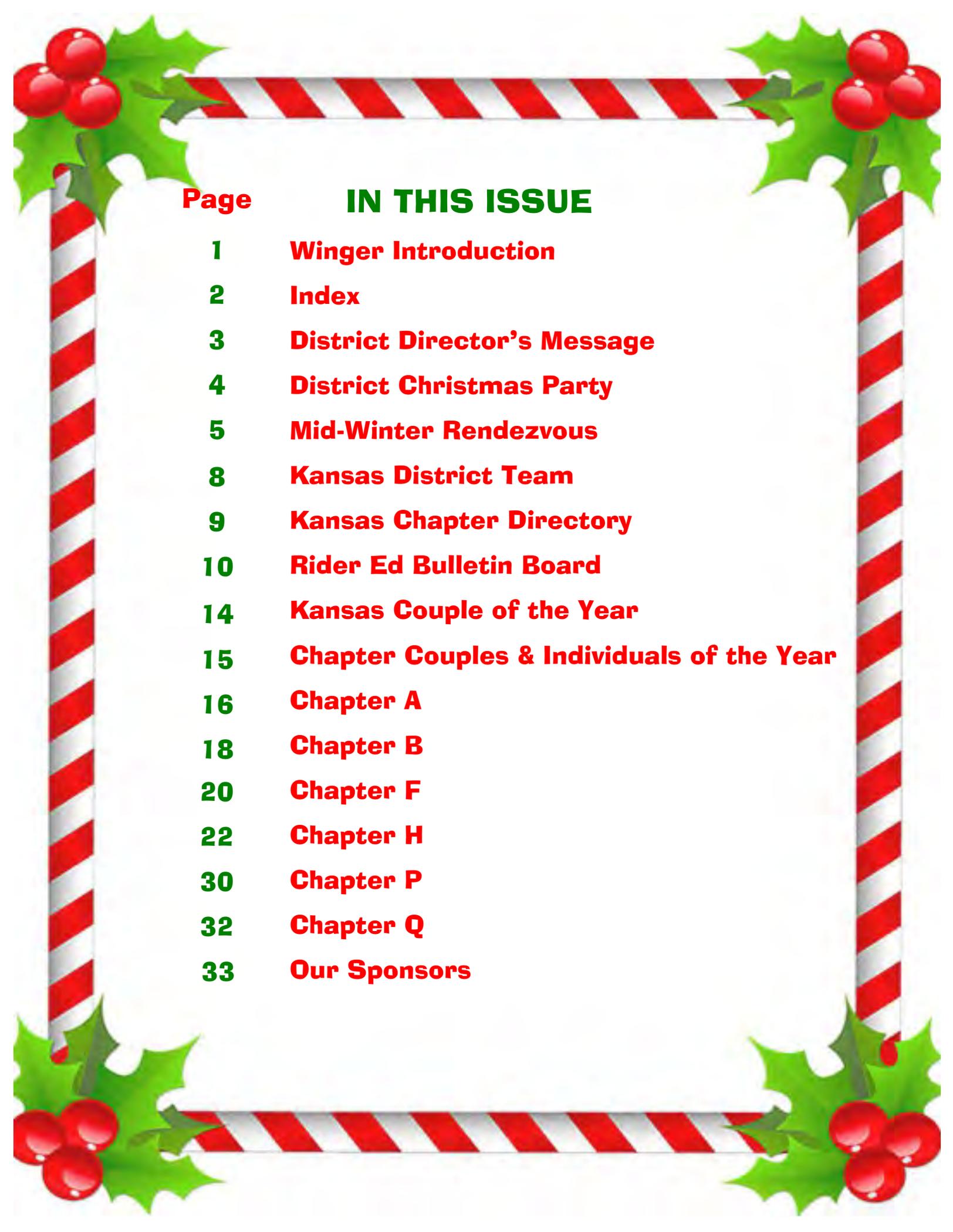
GWRRA members are members of all Chapters and are encouraged to attend any Chapter gathering and participate in any Chapter events.

Gold Wing Road Riders Association is all about
"FUN, SAFETY AND KNOWLEDGE"

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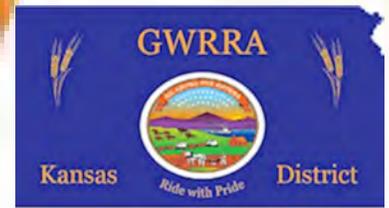
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Merry Christmas from your District Directors



I can almost smell every ones turkey cooking, I hope everyone have had a wonderful Thanksgiving, and if you're traveling, please be safe. We aren't doing the family thing this year, Debbie's down with a nasty head cold, but she's on the rebound and should be ok to do her annual Black Friday thing.

We attended Chapter A and P's Halloween Bash and it was a ton of fun. As with any GWRRA event, there was an abundance of food and deserts and all were delicious. After stuffing ourselves, we watched a really good movie with lousy sound. Thank goodness for closed captions. We visited the land of Eloi and Morlocks, can you guess the name of the film? A huge thank you to Michelle Grooms for the dryer warmed blankets!!

The planning meeting for Midwinter went well, thank you Rick and Carolyn Stevens for use of your dining room. The schedule of events is on the District Website. We're still a go for Midwinter, we'll be checking weekly with Victor at the motel to make sure. On the brighter side, with November about done, 2020 is rapidly drawing to a close, here's hoping for a much better 2021!

Debbie and I are looking forward to seeing all of you at the District Christmas Party in Cassoday on December 5th. The details are on the attached flyer and also on the District Website.

Until then, be safe every one.
Joe and Debbie Gattenby

PS: The movie was 1960's The Time Machine.



Kansas District

CHRISTMAS PARTY!

Let's mingle and jingle and have a
merry old time!

WHEN: DECEMBER 5, 2020 AT NOON

WHERE: CASSODAY SENIOR CENTER

**EACH CHAPTER BRING A BUCKET OF FRIED CHICKEN
AND
MEMBERS BRING A SIDE DISH TO GO WITH THE CHICKEN**

WATER, COFFEE AND TEA WILL BE PROVIDED!

**BRING ONE MAN AND ONE WOMAN GIFT
AS WE HAVE DONE IN THE PAST. LIMIT OF \$10.**

50/50



Quality Inn
 3232 North Summit
 Arkansas City, Kansas
 620-442-7700

Rooms blocked until January 3, 2021
 King Bed \$49.00 + tax 2 Queen Beds \$59.00 + tax
Ask for "KS Gold Wing Road Rider" rooms

Couple of the Year Selection Seminars Dessert Dance Crafts Baseball Game 50/50 Drawing
 Medallion Hunt Black Jack Bingo Line Dancing Horse Game Swap Meet Free Popcorn

 **! FREE PIZZA LUNCH ON SATURDAY !** 

REGISTRATION INFORMATION (Please Print)

Rider: _____ GWRRA# _____ Email: _____

Co-Rider: _____ GWRRA# _____ Email: _____

Address _____ City _____ State _____ Zip _____

Arrival Day: Friday _____ Saturday _____ Your Chapter _____ Your District _____

REGISTRATION FEE: \$30.00 per person
 (MFA COURSE - PAY AT TIME OF COURSE)

I/We agree to hold harmless GWRRA Kansas District, any co-sponsoring organizations and any property owners for any loss or injury to self or personal property when participating in this event. I/W agree to assume responsibility for any property that I/We damage.

Rider Signature: _____ Date: _____

Co-Rider Signature: _____ Date: _____

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KANSAS
MID-WINTER RENDEZVOUS XXXIII
January 15-16, 2021

CHILLIN' AT MID-WINTER

FRIDAY - January 15th

TIME	EVENT	CONTACT
12:00 pm	Set Up	
5 pm - 8 pm	Registration - Volunteers contact Carolyn Stevens	Carolyn Stevens/Judy Eggleston
6 pm - 9 pm	Games - Bingo - Visitation	
6 pm - 9 pm	Couple of the Year Baskets by District Team	District Team
6 pm - 9 pm	Mascot, Scrapbook check in (<i>no contest</i>)	
6 pm - 9 pm	Popcorn / Coffee / Water	Gary Ohler
7 pm - 8:30 pm	Black Jack	Jack Kistler
7 pm - 8:30 pm	Bingo	Gary Ohler

SATURDAY - January 16th

7 am - 8:30 am	Couple of the Year (Meet/Greet/Eat with Judges)	David & Theresa McDonald
8 am - 4 pm	Table Games continue	
8 am - 11 am	Registration (Volunteers contact Carolyn Stevens)	Carolyn Stevens/Judy Eggleston
8 am - 12 pm	Medic First Aid/CPR (cost \$25 per person)	Steve & Terri Bockhaus
8 am - closing	50/50 Ticket sales (Drawing at Closing-Must be present to win)	
9 am - 4 pm	Popcorn / Coffee / Water	Gary Ohler
8:30 am - Closing	Snowman available for your personal picture taking	
8: 30 am - 9 am	Opening Ceremonies	Joe & Deb Gattenby
9 am until found	Medallion Hunt	Kit Sand

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MID-WINTER RENDEZVOUS XXXIII
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CHILLIN' AT MID-WINTER

SATURDAY cont...

TIME	EVENT	CONTACT
9 am - 10 am	District Couple of the Year Selection	David & Theresa McDonald
10 am - 11 am	Blackjack / Crafts / Bingo	
11 am - 12 pm	Covid Face Mask Contest	Terri Bockhaus
12 pm - 1 pm	FREE PIZZA LUNCH !	
1 pm - 2pm	Co-Rider Seminar	Rick Stevens
1 pm - 3 pm	Swap Meet	David McDonald
1 pm - 2 pm	Crafts	Debbie Gattenby/Michelle Grooms
1:45 pm - 2 pm	Place desserts on table on stage for Dessert Dance	Bill & Sheila Tucker
2 pm - 3 pm	Dessert Dance <i>(Only 1 dance this year)</i>	Bill & Sheila Tucker
2:30 pm - 3:30 pm	Road Tripping Seminar	Bob Brown
3 pm - 4 pm	Chapter Directors & Treasurer's <i>(Turn in required reports)</i>	Carolyn Stevens / Judy Eggleston
3:30 pm -5 pm	Baseball Game <i>(prizes awarded)</i>	Sheila Tucker / Kathy Chesnut
5:30 pm to 6:00 pm	Closing	Joe & Deb Gattenby

The District Team thanks all of you for attending
and participating in the Mid-Winter Rendezvous 2021!

KANSAS DISTRICT TEAM



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Joe & Debbie Gattenby

ASS'T DISTRICT DIRECTORS

Kathy & Denny Chestnut

TREASURER

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DISTRICT EDUCATORS

Rick & Carolyn Stevens

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You are welcome to attend any Chapter gathering and introduce yourself
Everyone is welcome!

Call the Chapter Director if you have questions about a Chapter activity

If you live in an area where there is no Chapter close by
and would be interested in starting one,
contact the District Directors for assistance



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Chris & Michelle Grooms CD
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2nd Thursday, 7pm
Spears Restaurant
4323 W Maple, Wichita KS

CHAPTER B

Gary & Reba Ohler CD
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3rd Thursday, 7pm
JT's Grill
33255 Lexington Ave, DeSoto KS

CHAPTER F

Rick & Brenda Kistler CD
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4th Tuesday, 7pm
Oil Hill Elementary School
2700 W 6th, El Dorado KS
Brown Bag - Desserts Provided



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A WORD FROM YOUR DISTRICT RIDER EDUCATORS



Hello everyone. Here it is December already. This has been one strange year in many ways. Let's hope that things get better in 2021.

To recap the year, even with all of the shut downs and everything going on, we were still able to get 3 of our team certified as rider coaches for the Advanced Rider Course for 2 wheeled riders. We also successfully put on 2 Trike Rider courses. The Rider Ed Team will start planning for additional courses for next year very soon.

Coming up in January at Mid-Winter we will have a training day to go along with the other activities. We will be having a Medic First Aid/CPR course on Saturday January 16 at the Quality Inn located at 3232 N. Summit St. Arkansas City, KS. The training will start at 8:00 am and last for approximately 4 hours. If you are needing this training to maintain your Levels or just to improve your skills please sign up for this. You can contact Rick Stevens at rfstevens@gmail.com or Steve Bockhaus at bockhaus@cox.net. You will pay at the event. The cost is \$25.00.

We will also be conducting a Co-Rider Seminar in the afternoon along with the Road Trippin' about planning a road trip. There is as always no charge for these seminars. We just want to get out some good information.

Please enjoy the information in the following article about NOT being the invisible motorcyclist.

I hope all of you had a safe Thanksgiving.

**REMEMBER "PRACTICE MAKES PERMANENT...
YOU ARE WHAT YOU PRACTICE".**



**Rick and Carolyn Stevens
Kansas District Educator**

**Bob and Barb Brown
Kansas Assistant District Educator**



THE INVISIBLE MOTORCYCLIST

"I never saw him. He came out of nowhere!" That's probably the most common statements heard at a collision between an automobile and a motorcyclist. They're usually made by the operator of the auto because the motorcyclist is unconscious (or worse).

As riders we wonder, "How can they NOT see us? Are they just not looking?"

A lack of attention on the part of the driver does explain some of the car/bike collisions; the distracted driver, cell 'phones, unruly children, etc. All these can contribute BUT some responsibility belongs to the motorcyclist as well.

I know. I know. That's heresy. Let me explain.

Motorcycles make up about 3% of the "normal" traffic flow.

People "see" what they expect to see; things like cars and trucks

Unless the rider does something to visually stand out, he can be easily overlooked.

Motorcycles ARE much harder to see than cars/trucks because of their smaller size. A motorcycle can easily be "lost" in the background even with the headlight on.

Many motorcycles wear colors that lend themselves to blending into the environment. Particularly dark colored machines (black is the color of pavement after all).

Many motorcyclists wear dark colored helmets (or no helmet at all, but we won't discuss those here) AND dark colored clothing. A number of studies in the US and abroad have shown that a light colored (white, silver, yellow) helmet is more noticeable (during daylight hours) than a dark colored (black, dark red, dark blue) helmet. Why? The driver sees this bright colored "orb" floating above the traffic (most riders heads are higher than the hoods/windshields of cars). It's DIFFERENT.

Lastly (and sadly), most motorcyclists are not skilled in emergency maneuvers. Over 13% of the motorcyclists involved in fatal crashes made NO effort to avoid the collision. They didn't brake, they didn't swerve, they just rode right into the collision. That's because, after they've gotten their license, they don't practice those kinds of maneuvers regularly (or ever). Motorcycling is a SKILL. It takes practice.

So how can you NOT be the Invisible Motorcyclist?

- ★ Position your bike so it can be seen and identified in the traffic stream.
- ★ Wear bright colors
- ★ Consider getting a brightly colored bike
- ★ PRACTICE your emergency maneuvers

Or you could take the advice I got once from a very experienced rider. He told me not to "ride like I was invisible." He told me to ride like they can see me and are actively planning to do something to take me out."

Some may say, "I've been riding for years. I don't need to take a class." Others will boast about the miles they have accumulated on two wheels and ask "what can they teach me?" Have you ever tried to persuade someone with that attitude that a Rider Course might help them be an even better rider? Their position can be so negative and so strongly put that you don't want to talk to them about the benefits of rider training. Sometimes, people hide their self doubt behind a curtain of confidence and bluster. Is it possible to have all the knowledge and skill necessary to avoid any accident? Well, if one chooses not to ride very far or very often, then perhaps it is possible. But I wouldn't want to bet my life on it!

Do you remember a single season in your riding career without at least one close call or near miss due to another motorist's driving behavior? How about a single month? If you ride around the state or across the country, you expose yourself to many different situations that require anticipation of all the possible actions of other drivers. You have to be prepared to counter with the proper response – whatever their action – and do it in a split second! A motorcycle Rider Course helps prepare you mentally and physically to execute the kinds of maneuvers called for by a driver's unexpected actions. We look upon these classes as an opportunity to learn and improve our riding skills in a safe environment.

The instructors are trained to spot the little techniques during range exercises that riders tend to forget to employ on the road. They provide reminders to all students in a positive manner. Their trained eyes and constructive comments are geared to put each of us on the path to being the safest riders we can be. This can help with your attitude and performance on the road. Being reminded of the best techniques to execute different skills does not hurt at all. It is painless. The practice and coaching helps to improve our skills, whether we never knew the technique to use, or just need the occasional reminder. Hey, who doesn't appreciate a reminder from time to time? Especially when it is about something you want to do correctly and safely, but may have just forgotten the best method.

In athletic training we are taught that practice makes perfect. And when you practice something you enjoy doing, it's just a lot of fun! Practicing motorcycle riding maneuvers in a closed parking lot with someone else (the instructors) monitoring the range to protect the riders from outside hazards helps you focus your attention on the task at hand – becoming a better rider!

On another level, taking a Rider Course will help you qualify for advancement in the Rider Education Levels Program, to Level II or above, or keep you current in your present level. And there is one more thing to remember about all GWRRA Rider Course offerings. Nobody fails! Everyone who completes the course receives a course completion card. There are no minimum performance requirements. You are asked to push yourself to improve your abilities. You won't get better at it if you don't try. Sign up for a Rider Course today. You will thank yourself later!

Ride Smart & Be Safe!

Bruce & Melissa Thayer

Former MI Asst. District Rider Educators

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2020



**KANSAS DISTRICT
COUPLE OF THE YEAR**

Joe & Deb Gattenby

**2020 KANSAS CHAPTER COUPLES OF THE YEAR
AND INDIVIDUALS OF THE YEAR**

Chapter A IOY



Bob Davis

Chapter B COY



*Mick Schurer &
Leslie Thompson*

Chapter F IOY



Sharon Webster

Chapter H COY



Kit & Donna Sand

Chapter F COY

John & Karen Glaves

Chapter P COY

Don & Tammy Vickers



Chapter A – Wichita

Meet 2nd Thursday in Wichita at Spears Restaurant 7:00pm– Eat 6:00pm

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Larry Mazur

Newsletter Editor

Mary Mazur

Individual of the Year

Bob Davis

MEC

Chris & Margo Roberts

Hello fellow riders.

There will not be much in this month's newsletter because nothing much went on, but that is expected this time of year.

Our monthly meeting for November was held on the 12th and there was a good crowd there at Spears. It is always great to see the people that we love to take rides with, get that chance to talk and visit with them about what's going on in their lives. Plus it's on a Thursday so there is always "free pie" 😊

Thanksgiving of course was on the 26th and I hope that you all had a grand time. Spending time and having fun with family and friends. Eating more than you should then taking that all important nap afterwards (if allowed).

Christmas is fast approaching but before we get to that next big holiday here's just a few things to do in December. On the 5th @ noon is our District Christmas party. It's being held at the Senior Center in Cassoday and if you've never been to one of these you don't know what you are missing. Each Chapter is to provide some chicken but each family is to bring a "side dish". The best part is the gift exchange. If you wish to participate please bring a \$10.00 gift. The husband brings a gift that he thinks a man would enjoy and the wife brings a gift for a woman. Then numbers are assigned & drawn then we sit back and watch what everyone gets...and if they get to keep it. There is always fun for everyone who attends.

Of course Christmas is on the 25th for those who celebrate...please remember the reason for the season.

Then if you go out and about for New Year's Eve...please be careful and watch out for others who might not watch out for you.



When you wake up on January 1st please remember to join those in the Chapter who take the annual “New Year’s Day” ride. Normally they meet and go for a ride that is the number of miles for the temperature of the day. I’ve done this a time or two and there are years where we get to go on long rides then there are years that we were lucky to ride across town, and then there have been years where the weather was bad so we didn’t ride at all but that did not keep us away from the get-together afterwards where we meet and eats (sounds like a normal GWRRA gathering doesn’t it). I’m not 100% sure on where the gathering will be but watch your e-mails because I’m sure our great leaders Chris & Michelle will send out the information to us as this date gets closer.

Last thing I’m going to write about will be Mid-Winter. It’s scheduled for January 15th & 16th in Arkansas City @ the Quality Inn. Although with Covid-19 going on right now it’s hard to know if this event will go on but everyone should plan on it because it’s always a blast and it gives us something to do when it’s cold & snowy and we can’t get out on the bikes. Hope to see you all there...

So I don’t find and anyone is having an anniversary in December but look who’s having a birthday

9th – Dana Beranek is having a birthday

25th – Bob Brown is having a birthday

That’s all I have for now

Remember to ride them not hide them (weather permitting)

Mary Mazur,
Chapter A Newsletter editor





Chapter B – DeSoto

Meet 3rd Thursday every month in DeSoto at JT's Grill 7:00 PM - Eat 6:00 PM

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**Newsletter
Editor**
Paula Aiken

Chapter Couple of the Year
Mick Schurer & Leslie Thompson



With more than 25 million military veterans in the United States, Chapter B members couldn't let November go by without honoring the men and women who have protected our country and the freedoms that we enjoy. The Ottawa parade, which is a Chapter B favorite, was cancelled this year. But Allen Robertson made sure that the group had the opportunity to participate in the Leavenworth Veterans Day Parade on November 11. The Veterans Day parade in Leavenworth is said to be the oldest in the nation and the largest parade west of the Mississippi. The first parade was held on November 11, 1919 and this year's parade started the second hundred years of celebrations.

Francis Dalsing and John English met Allen in Shawnee and they headed to Leavenworth where Steve Schnell, Mary Rose Enderle and Bogie Bogenrife were waiting for them. Each of the six bikes was flying at least one flag. Francis carried the GWRRR Chapter B flag along with a special United States flag. The US flag had been flown on an Air Force Stinger 2 gunship over Iraq and Syria. Gary and Reba Ohler's son brought the flag back to them when he recently returned from a tour of duty in Iraq. Gary hadn't been cleared by the doctor to ride yet, but he and Reba were there to watch from the sidelines. It was cold in the morning and heated gear was welcomed. But the temperature warmed nicely. The parade wasn't as big as in years past, but the crowd was enthusiastic, and the streets were packed. Some stopped for lunch before heading home and others went straight home. It was a great day to honor our veterans.



A dinner ride on November 5th to Wayne and Larry's in Lawrence was attended by eight Chapter B members. Great food and company were enjoyed while social distancing in the back room of the restaurant.

The monthly meeting was held on November 19th with eleven members enjoying seeing each other. It was decided to cancel the Christmas party for this year and to hold the December meeting virtually to allow those who haven't been able to participate in person the chance to visit and see one another.

CHAPTER B EVENTS FOR DECEMBER:

December 17 - Virtual Chapter Meeting
January 1 - Polar Bear Ride

Merry Christmas,
Paula Aiken





Chapter F – El Dorado

Meet 4th Tuesday every month at Oil Hill Elementary School 7:00 PM - Brown Bag at 6:00 PM

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Individual of the Year

Sharon Webster

Couple of the Year

John & Karen Glaves



Greetings from Chapter F!

Hope this Holiday Season is a great one for everyone. Due to the COVID crisis, our children are not coming this year so it will be a quiet one in terms of just Jack and me. Hope you get to see some of your family for the holidays!

Our Chapter's monthly meeting was held on Tuesday, November 24, 2020. We had members from our own Chapter and we also had visitors from Chapters A and P. We were glad to have those visitors come and share our meeting!

We opened our meeting with the Flag Salute. Rick Kistler, our Chapter Director, introduced Sharon Webster, our Individual of the Year.

Kathy Chesnut Chapter P, advised that our Annual Christmas Party for the State is next Saturday, December 5, 2020. It will be held in Cassoday, Kansas at the Motorcycle Club House where we have had it in the past. It will start at 12:00 noon and each person is to bring a cooked chicken and a side dish to share. Also if you want to participate in the gift exchange, please bring a \$10.00 gift.

Jack Kistler from Chapter Q, advised he is planning a Route 66 Ride and more information on this will be announced later.

There was no one from Chapter H at the meeting as some of their members are down with the COVID virus. Our thoughts and prayers go out to them.

Kathy Chesnut advised there is nothing planned right now for Chapters A and P. Rick Kistler, Chapter F, advised that our Chapter is scheduled to have a regular meeting time in January. He will put out more information later.



Rick Stevens advised there would be a Rider Ed course that is scheduled for the Saturday of Mid-Winter in January. Robert Brown will also be doing a "Road Trippin" course at Mid-Winter and there will be a MFA Course offered. There will be more information about these classes later.

Jack Schoeck advised he got a new tire for his trike.

Rick Kistler was given an ok on his health and is doing great now.

Brenda gave a report on Carol Chastain. Carol had to have a pacemaker put in and for the next four weeks will be doing physical therapy. Brenda advised she had talked to Everett and Carol is doing better.

November Birthdays:	Bob Warne – November 29
December Birthdays:	Dennis Krammer – December 3

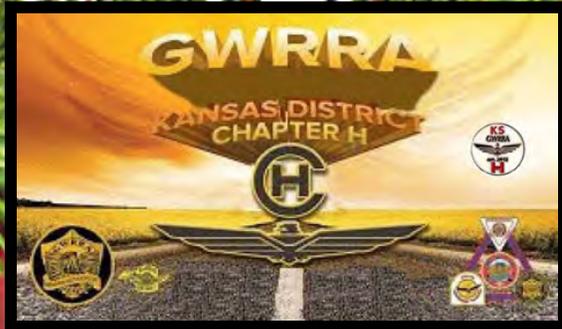
The 50/5 was won by: Doris Schoeck and Rick Stevens – Each got \$11.00.

The table decorations were won by: Larry Mazur, Mary Mazur, Rick Stevens, Kathy Chesnut, Sharon Webster, and Brenda Kistler.

The meeting was adjourned.

Submitted By,
Doris L. Schoeck
KS-F Newsletter Editor





KS-H Newsletter

Next Chapter gathering
may be ???

December 12, 2020
(possibly by Zoom)

Watch your email for
details and updates!!

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CHRISTMAS

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KS DISTRICT DIRECTORS

Joe & Debbie Gattenby



***Good Tidings from your
KS-H Chapter Directors***

What a difference a month can make! With the increases in COVID infection rates, many local and State governments are attempting to slow the spread by limiting numbers of people gathering in various places.

We have had a few Chapter H members that have had COVID, including Jan and myself. My experience was that I had fever and severe muscle aches and Jan was mostly cough, fatigue and headache. Interestingly, both of us have diminished smell and taste. I teased Jan that now I don't need to shower as often! She just laughed.

Since in-person meetings are discouraged for now, we will attempt to meet via ZOOM. We are planning the first Zoom meeting for 4th Friday breakfast, which is actually December 4 at 9am. Watch your email for ID number and password to log in. All this is a learning curve for many of us. We don't know how that will work with a larger group, but it's worth giving it a try.

The end of the year brings thoughts of the coming year. The leadership team met and tossed around ideas for next year, but if anyone has ideas about rides or other programs, we would sincerely like to hear your thoughts.

With the Thanksgiving holiday just past, we are again reminded how much there is to be thankful for. Technology allows us to keep in contact, which is not quite the same, but is better than nothing. We have set up a Zoom Thanksgiving with our kids in Nebraska and Texas.

Keep watching for emails and Facebook posts. Thank you all for your involvement and communication. It's certainly great to be involved with all of you!!

Don & Jan Schroeder
KS-H Chapter Directors



A 2020 CHRISTMAS POEM

by Joan & Paul Schultz

Twas the night before Christmas,
and probably not until spring,
Would a Chapter H member
be riding their wing.

The bikes are all covered
to stay warm and clean,
Batteries are tended
in hopes they'll start in the spring.

Some Chapter members
hunkered down in their beds
had visions of new leathers and bling caps
racing through their heads.

While I with my jacket, gloves and lips turning blue,
was out shoveling snow and cussing it too!
from around the corner there came a quiet hum
I thought it was Chuck and Kathy
wanting to go out for some fun.

But what to my wandering eyes should appear!
A bunch of motorcycles with riders and gear.

A couple of riders, I thought were Judy and Terry,
turned out to be members, Brad and Sharry.
They jumped off their bike, so nimble and quick,
looking startled and yelling "We just passed St. Nick!"

My eyes got huge and my jaw began to drop
Is it true? Will St Nick really stop?!

Then came Brian, Sherry, Chris, Regina, Nita and Daryl
Along with Don, Carma, Sheila and Gerald.

Then David, Rhonda, Sedena and Jim
Don Jr, Tammy and Tim.

Dale, Georgeanna, Randy and Julie
even Edith and Dennis on their Can Am Spyder.
With Steve, Denise, Noel, Glen and Sharon,
all sipping a cup of hot apple cider.

Followed by Kit, Donna, Leon, Ellen, Jeff and Ann
and bringing up the rear were Directors, Don and Jan.

Looking excited and full of such glee
They all danced around (I thought they had to pee!)

As they were dancing and singing, shouting with joy
I worried the neighbors would call the police...
Oh Boy!

Then you could hear a snowflake drop
as silence fell over us all;
And we saw the headlights
coming around the neighbor's wall.

And what to our gleeful eyes should appear?!
But jolly St Nick wearing black leather riding gear.

As he stopped near by us and got off his bike,
We all thought St Nick would be riding a trike !?!

Then he grabbed his bag and went right to work,
He slid down the chimney, giving his bag a big jerk.

He filled the biker boots with all kinds of goodies,
Shirts, pants, gloves, hats and even hoodies!

Then up the chimney he quickly rose,
Getting on his bike, where he paused to pose.

Joan pulled out her phone and yelled
"Wait! We need a pic!"
"Hurry everyone! Get around St Nick!"

But before he left, he brought his bike to a stop
Then all of a sudden his bike went... plopp!

We all ran to help Nick pick up his bike,
and we heard him mumble "I got to get a trike!"

Then he told us
"Remember your brother Glen, who left us to soon,
Think about him whenever you gaze up at the moon."

And as St Nick rode off we could hear him say
"Be kind to all, sisters and brothers of GWRRA."

*Merry
Christmas*



DECEMBER

BIRTHDAYS

- 2 Carma Gray
- 4 Douglas KI Freeman
- 4 Gerald Spry
- 5 Randy Flickinger
- 5 Brad Thompson
- 7 Nita Regier
- 7 Curtis Thompson
- 7 Glen Darge
- 8 Jim Shaw
- 12 Tim Davison
- 16 Jan Regehr
- 23 Norm Frederick
- 30 Donna Sand

ANNIVERSARIES

- 23 Don & Carma Gray
- 28 Chuck & Kathy Schmidt
- 28 Bruce & Pat Malecki
- 28 Don & Jan Schroeder
- 31 Tim & Tammy Davison



December GWRRA Anniversaries

CHAPTER H MEMBER

YEARS WITH GWRRA

Gerald Stritt

17

Ronald Fulton

31

Here is a big shout out to our Chapter H members celebrating their membership anniversary with GWRRA!!



I would like to ask if anyone would be interested in taking on the position of Chapter H MEC. After having this position and during this time of turmoil in the country, I feel it is time to step down and let someone carry the position. I would do all I can to help with transition and knowledge that I can provide.

Kit & Donna Sand
Chapter MEC



**Hope everyone had a Healthy Thanksgiving
and
we wish you all a very Merry Christmas.**

**Donna and I would like to thank each of you
for the support we received this last year as
your Chapter H Couple of the Year.
It was an honor and a privilege
to carry this position.**

**We're hoping to see
everyone well and able to attend events
in the coming new year**

**Kit & Donna Sand
Your KS-H 2020 COY**

Chapter H Upcoming Activities

December 4 – November's 4th Friday Breakfast will be by Zoom! Here's the info you need so grab your coffee and join us!

Topic: 4th Friday Breakfast

Time: Dec 4, 2020 09:00 AM Central Time (US and Canada)

Join Zoom Meeting

<https://us04web.zoom.us/j/71856468550?pwd=YVM3Mk5ZRno4UXFzcE9tdll2ZGlmQT09>

Meeting ID: 718 5646 8550 Passcode: 6zB9ns

December 5 – noon District Christmas Party at the Cassoday Senior Center. Bring a side dish and a \$10 gift, man bring a man gift, ladies bring a lady gift. 50/50 also being offered. (See flyer attached)

December 12 – Chapter H meeting??? Watch email for details. Possibly a zoom dessert meeting.

January TBD - IHOP Hoppy Hour, Hutchinson. We will see what the COVID climate and restrictions are like by then.

January 9, 2021 – Chapter H “After the Holidays” and Chapter H Birthday party/pot luck with games and prizes. 6pm at the **King Park shelter house, corner of Ridge & Lincoln, Hesston**. Meat and birthday cake will be furnished. Bring a side dish. More details will come in the January Newsletter.

This is instead of a December Christmas party. The holidays are always busy and the gift exchange has pretty much run its course. This year we will give back to the community with food or cash donations to the Reno County Food Bank instead of a \$5 gift exchange. (See flyer attached)

January 15-16, 2021 – Mid Winter Rendezvous, Quality Inn, Ark City. Call for reservations 620-442-7700, mention GWRRA for hotel discount (See flyer and registration attached).

Medic First Aid Class, Sign up by email to bockhaus@cox.net, class size is limited.

Additional Rider Education courses will be taught, games, food, fun.

Questions?-contact Joe or Deb Gattenby: gattenbyd@yahoo.com

January 22 – 4th Friday Breakfast – Daryl and Nita Regier hosting, thank you to the Regiers.



STAY SAFE
together we will get through this



2021

GWRRRA Kansas Chapter H

“After the Holidays” and Chapter Birthday party

Join us for an evening pot luck dinner and games.

When: January 9, 2021 at 6:00 PM

Where: King Park shelter house at the corner of
Ridge & Lincoln in Hesston.

Food: Meat and birthday cake will be furnished.
Please bring a side dish.

**This year, instead of a gift exchange, we will collect food
and/or cash donations for the Reno County Food Bank**

CELEBRATE!



Chapter P – Derby

Meet 2nd Thursday in Wichita at Spears Restaurant 7:00pm– Eat 6:00pm

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Dennis & Kathy Chesnut
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MEC

Garry VanBuskirk

Couple of the Year

Don & Tammy Vickers

Scrapbook

Janet Gonslaves



CHAPTER P DECEMBER NEWSLETTER



**Everyone enjoy the holiday with your family
see you all at the State Christmas Party December 5th**

In November Chapter P and Chapter A had their meeting at Spears Resteraunt in Wichita and of course everyone enjoyed the free pie and conversation





Terry Bockhaus up to her usual shenanigans

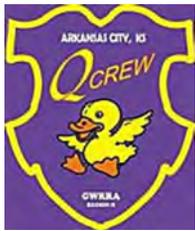


December Birthdays-None
December Anniversaries-None

Hope everyone has a Merry Christmas and Stay Safe

David & Theresa McDonald
Chapter P Directors





Chapter Q – Winfield

Meet 1st Thursday at Boss Hogs BBQ in Winfield - 6:00 pm to eat 7:00 pm to meet

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Judy Eggleston



We have finally made it to December, my goodness it's been a LONG year! We hope that all of you had a nice Thanksgiving, for some it was a difficult time not being able to be with family & friends. Our hope & prayer is that everyone will be able to be together at Christmas.

Chapter Q didn't have much for November. On the 5th we had our regular meeting and had 18 members in attendance. Our 50/50 winners for the month were: Rick Kistler, Joe Gattenby and Rick Stevens. Thank all of you for sharing your evening with us.

December Birthday: Jack Kistler on the 7th

December Anniversaries: Tom & Karen Sweet on the 23rd and Bill & Sheila Tucker on the 27th.

FROM OUR FAMILY TO YOURS, WE WOULD LIKE TO WISH ALL OF YOU A VERY MERRY CHRISTMAS & A HAPPY NEW YEAR.

Until the next time,
Jack & Teresa Kistler



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